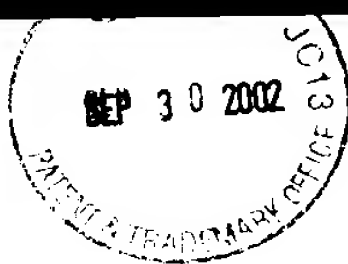


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OF LIPID-TAILED POLYPEPTIDES WITHOUT ADJUVANT

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the Office Communication mailed March 29, 2002, reconsideration is requested in view of the following amendment and remarks:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as shown in the marked-up copy attached to read as follows:

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Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 21, with the following text:

Figure 2: Mucosal immunization elicits parasite-specific antibody responses. Sera  
were obtained from C3H/HeJ mice at 2 weeks post-immunization by either nasal or sub-lingual route and assayed for recognition of (a) *P. falciparum* sporozoites and (B) hepatic